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## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

- 1. 22. (canceled)
- 23. (new) An isolated nucleic acid consisting of 19 to 140 nucleotides wherein the sequence of the nucleic acid comprises:
  - (a) at least 19 consecutive nucleotides of SEQ ID NO: 4204050;
  - (b) an RNA equivalent of (a);
  - (c) a sequence at least 52/67 identical to (a) or (b); or
  - (d) the complement of any one of (a)-(c).
- 24. (new) The nucleic acid of claim 23, wherein the at least 19 nucleotides is of a sequence selected from the group consisting of SEO ID NOS: 117937 and 118171.
- 25. (new) The nucleic acid of claim 23, wherein the nucleic acid consists of 19 to 24 nucleotides.
- 26. (new) The nucleic acid of claim 23, wherein the sequence of the nucleic acid consists of:
  - (a) at least 19 consecutive nucleotides of SEQ ID NO: 4204050;
  - (b) an RNA equivalent of (a);
  - (c) a sequence at least 52/67 nucleotides identical to (a) or (b); or
  - (d) the complement of any one of (a)-(c).
- 27. (new) The nucleic acid of claim 26, wherein the at least 19 nucleotides is of a sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NOS: 117937 and 118171.
- 28. (new) The nucleic acid of claim 26, wherein the nucleic acid consists of 19 to 24 nucleotides.
  - 29. (new) The nucleic acid of claim 24, wherein the nucleic acid is an RNA.
  - 30. (new) The nucleic acid of claim 27, wherein the nucleic acid is an RNA.
- 31. (new) A vector comprising an insert, wherein an insert consists of the nucleic acid of claim 23.
- 32. (new) A vector comprising an insert, wherein an insert consists of the nucleic acid of claim 26.
- 33. (new) A probe comprising an insert, wherein an insert consists of the nucleic acid of claim 23.

34. (new) A probe comprising an insert, wherein an insert consists of the nucleic acid of claim 26.

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